GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

INTERMEDIATE EDUCATION – Providing of Free Education at +2 Stage in Government Junior Colleges in the State from the Academic Year 2015-16 onwards – Permission – Accorded - Orders – Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (IE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 2   Dated: 07-01-2016
                                                                                  Read the following:-

1. From the Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad, Lr.Rc.No.Acad.I-1/1268/2015, dt:05.06.2015.
2. From the Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad, Lr.Rc.No.Acad.I-1/1268/2015, dt:09.10.2015.
3. From the Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad, Lr.Rc.No.Acad.I-1/1268/2015, dt:06.01.2016.

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At present there are 402 Government Junior Colleges functioning in the State. 1,15,111 students studied Intermediate Education in Government Junior Colleges in the State in the Academic Year 2014-15, out of which, nearly 80% of the students are from weaker sections such as S.C., S.T., B.C., and Minorities. It is observed that Government is first collecting various Fees from the students and then reimbursing the amounts to the SC/ST/BC/Minority students by way of Scholarships. Thus this places unnecessary burden on the students from the weaker section families. The various Fees collected are made available to the Colleges for utilizing these amounts for various contingency expenditures. Thus, to rectify this situation and to strengthen the Government Junior Colleges in the State, the Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad constituted a Committee to examine this issue and give their recommendations.

2.   The Committee studied the entire issue and found that Rs.893-00 is collected as Special Fee from the Intermediate Science students which includes Rs.180-00 Lab Deposit and Rs.60-00 of Library Deposit. These Deposits are returned to the students after completion of their Course. Out of this amount of Rs.893.00, a small amount of Rs.85-00 is the Recognition Fee which gets deposited in the Board of Intermediate Education(BIE) account and Rs.5-00 Admission Fee and Rs.3-00 Registration Fee i.e., total Rs.8-00 which is Deposited in the Government Head of Account, if these amounts of Rs.333-00(Rs.180.00+Rs.60.00+Rs.85.00+Rs.5.00+Rs.3.00) are subtracted from Rs.893.00, the remaining amount is Rs.560. This amount only is available with the Colleges for utilizing for various contingency expenditures and the Government reimburses the Tuition Fee (RTF) of Rs.560-00 for SC, ST, BC & Minority students. Similar, situation prevails for the Humanities students also where the Special Fee collected is Rs.533-00 and Library Deposit is Rs.60-00 which is returned to the students and the other amount i.e., Recognition Fee of Rs.85-00, Admission Fee of Rs.5-00 and Registration Fee of Rs.3-00 is deposited in BIE and Government Accounts. Rs.380-00 is reimbursed as the Tuition Fee to the SC, ST, BC & Minority students which is equivalent to the amount of Rs.60-00 + Rs.85-00 + Rs.5-00+Rs.3-00 i.e., total Rs. 153-00 subtracted from the total Fee of Rs. 533-00 collected.

3.   Therefore, it was felt advisable by the Committee that the Government provides budgetary support for meeting the contingency expenditures of the Colleges because any way the Tuition Fee is being reimbursed to the students by the Government. Hence, instead of first collecting the Fee and then reimbursing, the Committee recommended to provide Free Education to the students in the Government Junior Colleges and the Government should provide the contingency expenditures for the Colleges through the budgetary support. The amount being spent by the Government for the reimbursement of the Tuition Fee is more than sufficient to meet the budgetary requirement of the contingency expenditures of the Colleges. Thus, providing Free Education to the students would reduce unnecessary burden on them which they have to bear initially till they get reimbursement and at the same time the Colleges would also get the amounts required for their contingent expenditures. This would also help to strengthen the Government Junior Colleges and increase the students strength in these Colleges.

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4.   Accordingly, the Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad sent his proposals to the Government vide references read above. The Maintenance Tuition Fee (MTF) scholarships which are given by all the Welfare Departments viz., Social Welfare, Tribal Welfare, B.C.Welfare & Minority Welfare Departments will continue to be reimbursed to the eligible students.

5.   Therefore, Government after careful examination of the entire matter in consultation with the Finance Department and Welfare Departments concerned, hereby issue orders for providing of free Education to the Students at +2 stage in Government Junior Colleges in the State from the Academic Year 2015-16 onwards, without collecting the Special Fee, etc., from the students at the time of admission, by duly withholding the amounts sanctioned to the students under the scheme of Reimbursement of Tuition Fee (RTF) by the various Welfare Departments concerned and providing contingency expenditure to the Government Junior Colleges by way of budgetary support by the Government.

6.   The Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad is requested to take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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The Commissioner of Intermediate Education, Telangana State, Hyderabad.
The Secretary, Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad.
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